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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL RESPONSE TO CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE

1. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO DELIVER FOLLOWING PRESIDENTIAL
MESSAGE TO KARL CARSTENS, CHAIRMAN, CDU/CSU DELEGATION
IN BUNDESTAG:

BEGIN TEXT.

DEAR MR. CARSTENS:

YOUR THOUGHTFUL AND HEARTENING MESSAGE ON MY ASSUMPTION OF
OFFICE AS PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES IS DEEPLY
APPRECIATED. YOU MAY BE ASSURED THAT ALL THE RESOURCES OF
THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT WILL CONTINUE TO BE DIRECTED
TOWARD OUR COMMON GOAL OF A TRUE AND LASTING PEACE FOR ALL
MANKIND.

SINCERELY,
GERALD R. FORD
END TEXT.

2. FYI. FOLLOWING IS INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF CARSTENS'
MESSAGE:

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QUOTE. IN AN IMPORTANT PHASE OF INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS YOU HAVE ASSUMED THE HIGH AND RESPONSIBLE

OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE USA. I CORDIALLY WISH YOU GOOD FORTUNE AND SUCCESS. THE SECURITY OF THE EUROPEAN ALLIES INCLUDING THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC DEPEND IN LARGE MEASURE ON THE STRENGTH OF THE US AND YOUR WISE AND RESPONSIBLE LEADERSHIP. I EXPRESS THE WISH THAT THE GOOD AND SINCERE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE US AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY WHICH HAVE CONSTITUTED A SOLID ELEMENT IN THE POLICIES OF BOTH COUNTRIES SINCE THE TIMES OF KONRAD ADENAUER WILL CONTINUE TO DEVELOP IN THE SPIRIT OF MUTUAL FRIENDSHIP. UNQUOTE.

3. NEITHER WHITE HOUSE NOR DEPARTMENT PLAN TO RELEASE TEXT OF PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE BUT HAVE NO OBJECTION TO ITS RELEASE BY RECIPIENT. KISSINGER

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